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SUSPENSION CALENDAR

1) ***Expressing the Sense of Congress Regarding the Contribution of the USO to the Morale and Welfare of Our Servicemen and Women of Our Armed Forces and Their Families*** (H.Con.Res. 322). 

This resolution has no budget implications.

2) ***Supporting the Goals and Ideals of a Day of Hearts, Congenital Heart Defect Day In Order to Increase Awareness About Congenital Heart Defects*** (H.Res. 629). 

This resolution has no budget implications.

3) ***To Designate the Facility of the United States Postal Service Located at 6110 East 51st Place in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the "Dewey F. Bartlett Post Office."*** (H.R. 4054). 

This bill does not affect direct spending – spending not subject to appropriations – or revenue.

4) ***To Designate the Facility of the United States Postal Service Located at 320 High Street in Clinton, Massachusetts, as the "Raymond J. Salmon Post Office"*** (H.R. 4152). 

This bill does not affect direct spending or revenue.

5) ***A Bill to Designate the Facility of the United States Postal Service Located at 57 Rolfe Square in Cranston, Rhode Island, Shall Be Known and Designated as the "Holly A. Charette Post Office"*** (S. 1989). 

This bill does not affect direct spending or revenue.

6) ***A Bill to Temporarily Increase the Borrowing Authority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency For Carrying Out the National Flood Insurance Program*** (S. 2275). 

This bill increases Federal borrowing authority for the National Flood Insurance Program by \$2.7 billion – to \$21.2 billion from its current \$18.5 billion. As a result of Hurricane Katrina, the current borrowing limit has been reached, and the additional authority is intended to continue paying Katrina-related claims. Thus, the funding will be spent immediately. The bill, therefore, increases direct spending by \$2.7 billion in fiscal year 2006 and over 2006-10. This spending normally would violate section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act by exceeding the allocation of direct spending authority to the House Financial Services Committee; but the bill also includes an emergency designation pursuant to section 402 of H.Con.Res. 95 – the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006. This exempts the direct spending from the

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Budget Act; but it also technically violates section 306 of the Budget Act, because the emergency designation lies within the jurisdiction of the Budget Committee. The bill does not affect revenue.

7) ***Paying Tribute to Shirley Horn in Recognition of Her Many Achievements and Contributions to the World of Jazz and American Culture*** (H.Con.Res. 300).



This resolution has no budget implications.

8) ***Condemning the Government of Iran for Violating Its International Nuclear Nonproliferation Obligations and Expressing Support For Efforts to Report Iran to the United Nations Security Counsel.***



This resolution is expected to be brought up under unanimous consent. This resolution has no budget implications.

9) ***Expressing the Sense of Congress that No United States Assistance Should Be Provided Directly to the Palestinian Authority If Any Representative Political Party Holding a Majority of Parliamentary Seats Within the Palestinian Authority Maintains a Position Calling for the Destruction of Israel*** (S.Con.Res. 79).



This resolution is expected to be brought up under unanimous consent. It has no budget implications.